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Dr. Paul A. Datti, CRC, HS-BCP
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Dear Dr. Datti,

As the CSHSE Vice President of Accreditation, I am pleased to inform you that the University of Scranton Counseling and Human Services program has been reaccredited by the CSHSE Board. The Counseling and Human Services baccalaureate program is reaccredited with no conditions from October 2021-October 2026. A site visit will be required for the October 2026 reaccreditation cycle.

The Readers noted many strengths of the Program:

- The Program is supported with the institution's focus on a liberal education.
- The Program prepares students to develop necessary skills for culturally competent human services delivery.
- The Program's curriculum emphasizes values, knowledge, and skills common to all fields in human services.
- The Program offers students to design a program of study to fit their individual career goals and aspirations with course electives.
- The Program offers an Accelerated Bachelor/Master's Program which allows exemplary students who are accepted into the program to take up to 12 graduate level credits in an of the professional counseling graduate program while still in the bachelor program.
- The Program has a National Honor Society for the B.S. program.
- Policies for "Fitness for the Profession" are addressed and monitored.
- Faculty have strong credentials and support the needs of the Program.
- The Program has comprehensive coverage of diversity and inclusion within the curriculum.
- The fieldwork component of the program is comprehensive.
- The Program maintains administrative consistency with a long-term director.
- The Program has maintained accreditation since 2006.

Additional Recommendations

The CSHSE Board encourages the Program to continue building articulation agreements with community colleges in their region.

The next accreditation cycle will include a site visit and must be completed for the October 2026 Board review. **A copy of this letter must be included in your next self-study.**

As an accredited program, the Program must regularly review information on the CSHSE website, <https://cshse.org>, for any new changes in policies and standards. Your program must use the standards that are in effect at the time when the application is submitted for the next cycle.

During this accreditation cycle, your accredited program has the responsibility to maintain active CSHSE membership each year of the accreditation cycle for the accreditation status to remain in good standing. Refer to the Member Handbook, Accreditation and Self-Study Guidelines for

updated information. Additionally, the accredited program shall ensure that the program representative contact information remains current with CSHSE and ASCENT Management, LLC and is updated as needed.

Please refer to the Board actions for maintaining accreditation in Appendix I of the Member Handbook. Your Program must ensure that program and student achievement indicators on the CSHSE website remain accurate (within 2 years of the current academic year) and the hyperlinks remain active. The CSHSE will review this information at each board meeting, February, June, and October. Contact the CSHSE VPA or ASCENT Management, LLC if a hyperlink must be revised so that our website is current with your program information.

Congratulations on continuing your program accreditation. A formal certificate, signed by our President, Dr. Yvonne Chase, will be forthcoming.

Sincerely,



Winona Schappell, M.Ed.
CSHSE Vice President of Accreditation

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